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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Stefan RUETZ et al

Art Unit:

Application No: 10/019,171

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For: APPLIANCE FOR DISPENSING SCENTS AND AN
AROMA STORE (SCENT CHIP)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please make the following amendments to this application prior
to examination thereof.

AMENDMENTS

In the Claims:

Claims 3-35, cancel.

Add new claims as follows:

36. (New) The appliance of claim 1, wherein the discharge
unit discharges the controlled scent substances stored in the
appliance in sync with the user's respiratory process.

37. (New) The appliance of claim 1, wherein the aroma store
is embodied as a microchip that can be controlled by the control
unit or as a chip card (scent chip) having scent substance storage
locations.

38. (New) The appliance of claim 37, wherein the scent chip
having the scent substance storage locations is embodied as a
replaceable part.

39. (New) The appliance of claim 38, wherein the scent chip
has a carrier in or on which the scent substances are disposed in
the form of liquids, gels, gases, or solids.